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13	JASON AMIS ISIDRO	WITHDRAWAL OF STATEMENT OF	
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15	Respondent.		
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17	The Statement of Issues No. 5577 against Jas	on Amis Isidro (Respondent) is withdrawn	
18	without prejudice. Respondent has withdrawn the	request for a hearing regarding the denial of	
19	the application for a pharmacy technician registration. The denial of the application is affirmed.		
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12 13 14	JASON AMIS ISIDRO Pharmacy Technician Applicant Respondent.	STATEMENT OF ISSUES	
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16 17	Virginia Herold ("Complainant") alleges:	TIES	
18	PARTIES 1. Complainant brings this Statement of Issues solely in her official capacity as the		
19	Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmacy ("Board"), Department of Consumer Affairs.		
20	2. On or about August 18, 2014, the Board received an application for a Pharmacy		
21	Technician License from Jason Amis Isidro ("Respondent"). On or about July 30, 2014,		
22	Respondent certified under penalty of perjury to the truthfulness of all statements, answers, and		
23	representations in the application. The Board denied the application on June 12, 2015.		
24	JURISDICTION		
25	3. This Statement of Issues is brought before the Board under the authority of the		
26	following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (the "Code")		
27	unless otherwise indicated.		
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(a) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the grounds that the applicant has one of the following:

Code section 480 states, in pertinent part:

- (1) Been convicted of a crime. A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.41 of the Penal Code.
- (2) Done any act involving dishonesty, fraud, or deceit with the intent to substantially benefit himself or herself or another, or substantially injure another.
- (3) (A) Done any act that if done by a licentiate of the business or profession in question, would be grounds for suspension or revocation of license.
- (B) The board may deny a license pursuant to this subdivision only if the crime or act is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which application is made.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this code, a person shall not be denied a license solely on the basis that he or she has been convicted of a felony if he or she has obtained a certificate of rehabilitation under Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 4852.01) of Title 6 of Part 3 of the Penal Code or that he or she has been convicted of a misdemeanor if he or she has met all applicable requirements of the criteria of rehabilitation developed by the board to evaluate the rehabilitation of a person when considering the denial of a license under subdivision (a) of Section 482.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this code, a person shall not be denied a license solely on the basis of a conviction that has been dismissed pursuant to Section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.4l of the Penal Code. An applicant who has a conviction that has been dismissed pursuant to Section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.4l of the Penal Code shall provide proof of the dismissal.
- (d) A board may deny a license regulated by this code on the ground that the applicant knowingly made a false statement of fact that is required to be revealed in the application for the license.
- 5. Code section 492 states, in pertinent part:

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, successful completion of any diversion program under the Penal Code, or successful completion of an alcohol and drug problem assessment program under Article 5 (commencing with Section 23249.50) of Chapter 12 of Division 11 of the Vehicle Code, shall not prohibit any agency established under Division 2 (commencing with Section 500) of this code, or any initiative act referred to in that division, from taking disciplinary action against a licensee or from denying a license for professional misconduct, notwithstanding that evidence of that misconduct may be recorded in a record pertaining to an arrest . . .

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(c) The board shall conduct a criminal background check of the applicant to determine if an applicant has committed acts that would constitute grounds for denial of licensure, pursuant to this chapter or Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 480) of Division 1.5.

7. Code section 4300(c) states, in pertinent part:

The board may refuse a license to any applicant guilty of unprofessional conduct. The board may, in its sole discretion, issue a probationary license to any applicant for a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct and who has met all other requirements for licensure. . . .

8. Code section 4301 states, in pertinent part:

The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of unprofessional conduct or whose license has been procured by fraud or misrepresentation or issued by mistake. Unprofessional conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

- (h) The administering to oneself, of any controlled substance, or the use of any dangerous drug or of alcoholic beverages to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to oneself, to a person holding a license under this chapter, or to any other person or to the public, or to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the person to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by the license.
- (f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.
- (1) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. The record of conviction of a violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of a violation of the statutes of this state regulating controlled substances or dangerous drugs shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct. In all other cases, the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred. The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, in order to fix the degree of discipline or, in the case of a conviction not involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

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9. Marijuana is a Schedule I controlled substance as designated by Health and Safety Code section 11054(d)(13).

BACKGROUND FACTS

10. On or about November 19, 2007, in a criminal proceeding entitled City of Sparks v. Jason Isidro, in the Municipal Court of the City of Sparks, County of Washoe, State of Nevada, Case Number 07-C 001275, Respondent was convicted on his plea of no contest of violating Nevada Revised Statutes section 484.448 (open container in vehicle, amended from a charge for driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs as a first offense), a misdemeanor. Respondent was ordered to complete substance abuse counseling within thirty days. On or about April 24, 2008, the court issued a warrant for Respondent's arrest for failure to complete substance abuse counseling. On or about November 24, 2008, Respondent provided proof of completion of substance abuse counseling and was charged with violating Sparks Municipal Code section 1.12,040 (criminal contempt), a misdemeanor. The circumstance of the underlying crime is that on or about June 29, 2007, a police officer with the Sparks, Nevada, Police Department detained Respondent after he was observed making an illegal u-turn. The officer noted that Respondent's eyes were red, bloodshot, and watery, his speech slow and slurred, and he smelled of an alcoholic beverage. Respondent did not perform field sobriety tests as instructed. The officer found inside the vehicle Respondent was driving a scale that measured in grams and 5.7 grams of a green leafy substance in a jar that tested presumptive positive for marijuana. Respondent's blood alcohol level was .113% by breath and 0.134% by blood. Respondent's blood also contained 11-nor-9-carboxy-THC.¹

FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Criminal Convictions)

11. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Code sections 480(a)(1), in that Respondent was convicted of crimes that are substantially related to the qualifications, functions,

¹ The main secondary metabolite of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) which is formed in the body after marijuana is consumed.

and duties of a licensee, as set forth in Paragraph 10, above.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(False Statement on Application)

12. Respondent's application is subject to denial pursuant to Code sections 480(a)(2), and 480(d), in that Respondent knowingly made a false statement in his application for a registered pharmacy technician license. Specifically, Respondent answered "No" to question 7 of the Pharmacy Technician Application, which states, in pertinent part:

Have you ever been convicted of any Crime in any state, the USA and its territories, military court or foreign country?

Check the box next to "Yes" if, you have ever been convicted or plead guilty to any crime. "Conviction" includes a plea of no contest and any conviction that has been set aside or deferred pursuant to Sections 1210.1 or 1203.4 of the Penal Code, including fractions, misdemeanor, and felonies. You do not need to report a conviction for an infraction with a fine of less than \$300 unless the infraction involved alcohol or controlled substances. You must, however, disclose any convictions in which you entered a plea on no contest and any convictions that were subsequently set aside pursuant or deferred pursuant to sections 1210.1 or 1203.4 of the Penal Code.

Check the box next to "NO" if you have not been convicted of a crime.

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Failure to disclose a disciplinary action or conviction may result in the license being denied or revoked for falsifying the application. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

In fact, Respondent was convicted of crimes, as set forth in paragraph 11, above.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DENIAL OF APPLICATION

(Acts Done by a Licentiate as Grounds for Discipline)

- 13. Respondent's application is subject to denial under Code sections 480(a)(3)(A), in conjunction with 4300(c) and 4301, in that Respondent committed acts of unprofessional conduct that if done by a licentiate would be grounds for discipline, as follows:
- a. <u>Code Section 4301(h)</u>: On or about June 29, 2007, Respondent used a dangerous drug and/or alcoholic beverage to an extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to himself, any other person, or to the public, when he drove a motor vehicle after consuming